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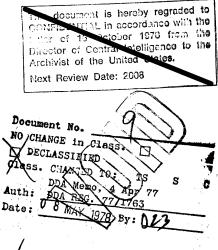
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- 1. A source close to the new Venezuelan Government stated emphatically that Franco Spain will be recognized immediately upon the stabilization of the administration. The outlawing of the Communist Party is also expected shortly, but diplomitte relations with the Soviet Union will not be broken unless new factors develop-
- 2. On 27-28 November there was no indication of organized resistance to the larry control. Business appeared more or less normal. There was little or no known shooting in the city of Caracas.
- 3. On 26 November a Panamanian Embassy official denied reports that Romulo Betancourt had been given asylum. Police and Army officials are still searching for him. A military officer reported that some "most commonising" documents were found in the headquarters of the Accion Democratica Party which indicated the latter's cooperation with the Communists. The contents of these documents were not revealed.



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